CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended)

A method for inhibiting pancreatic lipase so as to reduce fat absorption in a mammal related to control animals by orally feeding said mammal an avian antibody that binds pancreatic lipase in the gastro-intestinal tract of said mammal. [to inhibit the fat-hydrolyzing of said pancreatic lipase.]

Claim 8 (previously amended)

The method of claim 1 wherein prior to the step of feeding said mammal said avian antibody, said antibody is produced in avian eggs.

Claim 14 (currently amended)

The method of claim 1 wherein prior to the step of feeding said avian antibody the antibody is first freeze dried or spray dried.

Claim 18 (previously amended)

The method of claim 1 wherein the orally fed antibody is fed in a powder form

Claim 31 (previously amended)

The method of claim 1 wherein the orally fed antibody is fed in a liquid form

Claim 38. (currently amended)

A method <u>for</u> of <u>altering</u> absorption of fat of a mammal to inhibit <u>decreasing</u> the absorption of fat <u>by orally feeding a chicken antibody against lipase</u>. , <u>comprising the steps of immunizing an animal with pancreatic lipase to produce pancreatic lipase antibody, and then orally administering said antibody to said mammal to bind pancreatic lipase in its gastro-intestinal tract and thereby inhibit the fat hydrolyzing activity of said pancreatic lipase in said tract.</u>

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Claim 40 (new)

The method of claim 1 wherein the orally fed antibody is fed in an enteric protected form.

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